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Nation to observe 35th birthday with fireworks, picnics

Jerusalem Post Staff

Israelis will mark the 35th anniversary of independence by hiking through old battlefields, visiting military bases, picnicking, and getting together with friends and family. Celebrations begin this evening with the traditional torchlighting ceremony atop Mt. Herzl in Jerusalem at 6:45 p.m.

Twelve men and women representing this year's theme, the Valour of Israel, will kindle the torches (see page 5). The ceremony concludes with a fireworks display visible in many parts of Jerusalem.

Entertainment platforms have been erected in all the cities and towns, and *kumutzim* are being organized that will last until early in the morning. In Jerusalem, Independence Park will be the principal site of entertainment, with dancing and music until 11 p.m. Fireworks will be set off from atop the Plaza Hotel at 10 p.m. and at midnight over the Laromne Hotel.

Strollers in the centre of town will find the triangle of Ben-Yehuda, King George and Jaffa Road decorated, and entertainers will be

strategically placed. At 11 p.m., dancing and singing of Israeli songs will take place in the Liberty Bell Garden. Young people are invited to a *kumutz* in the Vale of Rehavia. Celebrations will also take place in the neighbourhoods.

The downtown triangle and Rehov Agron will be closed to traffic starting at 7 p.m. this evening, and other major streets leading to the downtown area will be one way to enable the smooth flow of traffic. Curs found parked inside the area will be towed away by 8 p.m.

A special traffic-control line has been installed at telephone number 100 in the Jerusalem police headquarters to provide information about specific traffic limitations.

Tel Aviv's Rehov Dizengoff will become a pedestrian mall from Dizengoff Circle to Sderot Ben-Gurion tonight. Seven entertainment platforms will be located along the route, in addition to others in various parts of Tel Aviv. Tomorrow, there will be a parade along the route, with dancers, athletes, clowns and bands.

The country's police go on a two-shift, round-the-clock schedule starting tonight.

A spokeswoman at National Police Headquarters called on the public to "follow the instructions of the police" as they direct traffic and deal with emergencies. Police called on drivers to drive carefully, avoid drinking, and to make sure that personal belongings are taken care of to lessen the risk of theft.

The public is urged to report any suspicious objects to the police.

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek holds his Independence Day reception for the public at the Mitchell Garden near Hutzot Hayotzer tomorrow from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

The Jewish National Fund has prepared all its forests and picnic areas for hundreds of thousands of

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President Yitzhak Navon kindles the Memorial Day flame at the Western Wall last night. (Rahamim Israeli)

\$5m. heist may be biggest in Israel's history

Islamic Museum theft 'done to order'

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The theft of at least \$5 million in antique watchworks and other treasures exhibited at Jerusalem's L.A. Mayer Memorial Institute for Islamic Art was "done to order," authoritative sources told *The Jerusalem Post* last night.

A highly placed source in the investigation said that the "sophisticated" burglars "went through the exhibits, picking out items. They knew what they were looking for."

The break-in at the western wing of the museum, a stone's throw from the president's residence, took place some time between Friday night and Saturday morning. The robbery was discovered at 10:30 a.m. yesterday, and is possibly the biggest haul in Israel's history. In 1981, the Ha'aretz Museum in Tel Aviv was robbed of \$3m. in art works.

According to sources close to the investigation, the two guards on duty during the night were asleep while the burglars did their work.

A police source said that the burglars left behind some tools that were used to break in through a back window to the western wing of the building, and that there was no "vandalism for vandalism's sake."

In addition to the many 18th and 19th century watchworks, originally owned by the first Jewish lord mayor of London, Sir David Salomons, several antique books and a painting were stolen.

It has been learned that security at the museum has been lax in the past. According to a police source the burglars worked "calmly. They had time to eat sandwiches and drink some cold drinks. We found the crumbs," the source said.

Next-door-neighbours heard nothing, and part of the police investigation will focus on why the electronic alarm system did not work. There are bars on only a few of the windows of the museum.

The watchwork collection, including music boxes, was donated to what is commonly known as the Islamic Museum by Vera Frances Bryce Salomons, the daughter of

the late lord mayor. She also put up the funds to create the institute, which is named for the late Leon Arie Mayer, who was professor of Islamic studies at the Hebrew University.

Among the items in the collection are watches owned by Marie Antoinette and made by Breguet, a Swiss-born Parisian watchmaker of the 18th century, considered by experts to be one of the greatest watchmakers.

Officials at the museum, including managing-director Gavriel Moriah, were unavailable yesterday for comment.

Walter Eytan, chairman of the board of the public corporation owning the museum, was reached by *The Post* in New York last night and expressed "shock" at the news of the burglary.

"It was an outstanding collection. All the pieces are as well known as famous paintings," Eytan said.

He said that just three months ago a complete catalogue of the collection was published.

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Ivri reluctantly agrees to be deputy C-o-S

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Defence Correspondent

David Ivri, the head of Israel Aircraft Industries who was until last December commander of the Air Force, was named deputy chief-of-staff on Friday, in a move that surprised many in the defence establishment.

Ivri was reported reluctant to leave his current position and return to uniform. He agreed after three weeks of procrastination, culminating in a meeting with Defence Minister Moshe Arens on Friday morning.

The army spokesman also announced on Friday that the current head of general staff's planning division, Major-General Ehud Barak, will replace Yehoshua Saguy as head of military intelligence. Barak, at 40 one of the Israel Defence Force's youngest generals, was also reluctant to accept the position, having preferred a field command, like that of O.C. Northern Command, whose present incumbent Aluf Amir Drori, is due to vacate in about six months.

Barak was apparently told that a field command would be available after a stint as O.C. military intelligence. Barak sees himself as a front-line contender for chief-of-staff and considered a field command a better stepping stone to the post than as head of military intelligence.

The negative experience of most of his predecessors in military intelligence, having been forced to resign from their jobs, apparently did not encourage him to take on the job.

Ivri's appointment apparently, was not Arens' own idea. But the minister supported it after incoming

Chief of Staff Aluf Moshe Levy made it clear he thought that Ivri was a good choice, and that he opposed Arens' suggestion of appointing Aluf Dan Shomron. Shomron remains in the IDF as a front-line candidate to replace Drori at Northern Command when the latter's term expires.

Levy and Ivri worked closely when Levy was O.C. operations and Ivri head of the Air Force. Ivri is considered a brilliant officer who personally supervised the Air Force's spectacular performance in the war in Lebanon, including the destruction of the missile sites, and the victories Israel enjoyed in air-to-air combat with the Syrians.

He is softly spoken and publicity shy. He is a technocrat like Arens, and displayed impressive management ability in handling the Air Force's complicated withdrawal from the Sinai, the rebuilding of an alternative infrastructure in Israel, the absorption of F-16s into the Israel Air Force, and laying the groundwork for the Lavi fighter project.

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Ivri in 1981

(Rubinger)

Memorial Day opens with ceremony at Western Wall

Jerusalem Post Staff

The national colours were lowered to half-staff at 8:30 p.m. yesterday as Memorial Day for Israel's fallen opened with a ceremony in the plaza of the Western Wall in Jerusalem. A siren was sounded.

More than 1,000 parents, children and relatives of soldiers who fell in Israel's wars were present at the ceremony opened by the kindling of a memorial fire by President Yitzhak Navon.

"In this place, holy to our nation for generations, we raise in the time of every house in Israel a flame in memory of those who fell to protect the State," Navon declared.

Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan said that "in great sorrow we are joined by the families of those who fell in Operation Peace for Galilee. Inspired by their example, we must continue our goals of educating youth to identify with the homeland and to continue in our search for peace."

IDF Chief Chaplain Aluf Gad Navon recited a prayer, and a bereaved father, Aharon Mizrahi, led *kaddish*.

Other memorial services were held throughout the country. Addressing a gathering at Haifa's Memorial Park last night, Defence

Minister Moshe Arens said that Israel had paid a high price in the blood of its sons on the long road to persuade its neighbours that they had no military option. Unhappily, he added, it was possible to persuade them of this only through wars. In the Middle East, the accepted values are not like Israel's values. Instability, incessant wars, fanaticism, brutality and intolerance are the norm, he said.

The mayor and a representative of the bereaved families also spoke at the ceremony, and the city's chief rabbi recited prayers.

A two-minute siren will be sounded at 11 a.m. today, bringing traffic to a halt. Immediately following, memorial services will be held in 41 military cemeteries around the country.

In a special order of the day to be read today to all enlisted and reserve soldiers, and to bereaved families, Eitan pays tribute to all who gave their lives in the country's wars to assure the nation's survival.

The Druse community is also remembering its sons who sacrificed their lives in the wars and against terrorist attacks. The central ceremony will be held today in the military cemetery in Ussiya on Mt. Carmel. Minister-without-Portfolio Mordechai Ben-Porat will represent the government.

Labour, kibbutz heads blast 'Upper Nablus,' seek cancellation of 'divisive' ceremony

Jerusalem Post Staff

Labour Party and United Kibbutz Movement leaders have strongly condemned the government's plan to grant civilian status tomorrow to a military settlement overlooking Nablus.

Party chairman MK Shimon Peres, MK Yitzhak Rabin, party secretary MK Haim Bar-Lev and the movement's co-secretaries-general Yosef Perlmuter and Eli Zamir told a press conference on Friday at Tel Aviv's Beit Sokolov that the so-called "Upper Nablus" settlement would divide the nation on Independence Day and might lead to violence.

Peres said that, while it is Israel's right to settle anywhere, the planned settlement would help make Israel a Jewish state with a large Arab minority and reduce the chances for achieving peace with the country's neighbours. "Jordan is our neighbour, and the question before us is whether to continue this policy or to establish peaceful relations," he said.

Rabin called the plan to turn the army outpost on Mt. Bracha into a civilian settlement an attempt to impose Israeli sovereignty practically in the midst of an Arab city. "I call upon the prime minister, as the only living former prime minister, to

cancel the ceremony to make the settlement a civilian one on Independence Day; an issue on which the nation is so divided."

Perlmutter noted that some of the movement's kibbutzim are also located beyond the Green Line, but not in areas which would endanger the Jewish foundations of the state. He expressed concern that Independence Day "would unwittingly turn into a day of violence, which we are seeking to prevent."

Zamir noted that the movement is planning to establish 20 new kibbutzim according to the Allon plan, which are intended to strengthen the country's economic base and assure its borders. On the contrary, Zamir said, the settlements in Judea and Samaria are an unprecedented waste of resources at the expense of traditional settlement and the government's plan is "an act of provocation."

Bar-Lev warned that "settlement in the heart of Arab areas brings about the daily need to rule over thousands of Palestinians who do not want Israeli rule." There is a danger, he continued, that such a policy will bring things to the boiling point with our neighbours.

The prime minister's spokesman, Uri Porat, said last night he had no comment or reaction to the opposi-

tion leaders' statements.

About 25 Peace Now demonstrators were still at their "illegal protest settlement" yesterday outside the planned "Upper Nablus."

On Friday, a delegation of Peace Now activists promised OC Central Command Aluf Ori Orr that the movement would do everything in its power to avoid clashes with its opponents during tomorrow's dedication ceremony.

The army has declared the grounds a closed military area and has not allowed any more demonstrators to join the protest.

Tomorrow thousands of Peace Now members and their supporters are expected to hold a protest at the site rally while government officials dedicate the settlement.

Several MKs visited the protest settlement during the weekend to express support for the protest. Labour MKs Nava Arad, Elazar Granot, Naftali Blumenthal, Yair Tsaban, Yossi Sarid, Ya'acov Gil, Aharon Arel and Adi Amoral spent several hours at the site, talking with protesters.

A group of Betar members are to March today from Tel Aviv's Beit Jabotinsky to Mount Gerizim near Nablus as a gesture of solidarity with the Jewish settlements

in family die in crash

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Six members of a Jerusalem family were killed on Friday morning when a Egged bus hit their car head-on at the Lido intersection on the way to the Dead Sea.

Mohammed Ahmed Misk, 68; his wife Ratibeh, 65; their son Sa'adi, 22; his wife Awateh, 25, and their children, Abir, 3, and Sarig, 2, were killed instantly.

Seriously injured in the accident, which took place as the family was

on its way to a Dead Sea picnic, were two other sons: Assad Misk, 25, who was driving, and Bassam Misk, 15. Both are at Hadassah Hospital in critical condition.

In another accident, a five-year-old girl was killed yesterday when a car, driven by an unlicensed, underage neighbour, ran over her in an East Jerusalem street.

The driver was also injured in the accident. He was arrested after treatment, and police said he would be charged.

Chinese units shell Vietnam

PEKING (AP). — Chinese guards opened artillery fire across the border at Vietnamese troops yesterday in retaliation for repeated shelling and provocations by Vietnam, the official Xinhua news agency reported.

"The Chinese frontier guards are closely watching the development of the situation," said the report on the incident in the Guangxi autonomous Region.

27 Solidarity backers held

WARSAW (AP). — Polish authorities yesterday announced a major crackdown against underground supporters of the outlawed Solidarity labour federation, taking at least 27 people into custody and seizing radio transmitters and printing presses in several cities.

The roundup, announced in the main evening newscast of state-run television, apparently did not net any members of Solidarity's five-man temporary coordinating com-

mission who were reported to have met last weekend with union chief Lech Walesa.

The underground issued a communique after the meeting calling for nationwide protest marches on May 1, a major holiday in the Soviet bloc.

The most important figure detained in the crackdown, which apparently took place on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday was Zbigniew Belz.

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Druse, Christians battle in Lebanon

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ

METULLA. — Battles erupted on Friday evening between Druse and Christians in the Shouf Mountains and along the Beirut-Damascus road.

The first exchange of fire occurred when a Christian vehicle came under light-weapons and bazooka fire as it passed the town of Alek. Two Christian soldiers were killed and two others wounded.

Less than an hour later, fire was exchanged between the two sides at Shima, Shueifat, Souk al-Arab and again at Alek, continuing intermittently throughout the night and into

yesterday.

IDF units patrolled the areas in an effort to calm the situation, and senior officers invited Druse and Christian leaders to meet with them separately.

In Southern Lebanon concern was expressed over the election of a new president of the Amal organization, Nebib Ber'i, known for his pro-Syrian views. A number of soldiers of the Shi'ite militia have been serving in the South Lebanon militia of Maj. Sa'ad Haddad, and it is not known how Ber'i will view their continuing to serve with Haddad.

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The weather report is unavailable today due to a strike at the meteorological centre.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Prime Minister Menachem Begin welcomed 28 leaders of the South African WIZO federation, some accompanied by their husbands, at his office on Friday morning. The women presented him with a scroll commemorating Operation Peace for Galilee.

ARRIVALS

Nathan Perlmutter, national director; Maxwell Greenberg, honorary chairman, and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith Young Leadership Mission.

IDF soldier buried

HAIFA (Itim). — A large crowd on Friday attended the funeral of Rav Tzvi Sasson Cohen, who was killed when terrorists attacked a bus carrying IDF troops at Rashidiya in Southern Lebanon on Thursday. Cohen, 25, from Tzfat, Carmel, was buried at Haifa's military cemetery.

Renowned botanist dies

Professor Michael Zohary of the Hebrew University, one of the world's leading botanists, died on Friday at his Jerusalem home. He was 85. He was known for his papers on the flora and fauna of Israel. He received both the Israel Prize and the Rothschild Prize for his work. Zohary came to Israel from Galicia in 1920. (Itim)

Ministry warns against Taiwan mushrooms

The Health Ministry issued a warning to the public yesterday not to eat canned mushrooms from Taiwan after several cases of botulism traced to such mushrooms were reported in Australia. The ministry asked retailers not to sell Taiwan mushrooms until it completes tests on the product.

Dutch friends arrive for Independence Day

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Eighty members of the Israel Comité Nederland have arrived for the 35th anniversary of Israel. The ICN is an organization of friendship for Israel founded after the Yom Kippur War by non-Jewish Dutchmen. Among its contributions was the gift of 100,000 flower bulbs to Jerusalem last year and additional bulbs this year, as well as a blood bank for Nahariya Hospital. The delegation, headed by K.A. Keuning and W. van Veen, will be greeted by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kolek and the local branch of the Dutch Immigrants Association.

Soviet-Jewish prisoner said on hunger strike

MOSCOW (AP). — Soviet Jew Yuri Carnopolsky, 46, who is being held on charges of "slandering the Soviet state," is reportedly on a hunger strike in his jail in the city of Kharkov, his wife told western reporters here yesterday.

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"I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour. Fear not: for I am with thee: I will bring thee seed from the east, and gather thee from the west; I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth."
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HOME NEWS

March index of 5.6% means 134% inflation

Post Economic Reporter
The consumer price index for March amounted to 5.6 per cent, bringing the annual inflation rate to a record 134 per cent. Food prices rose higher than inflation over the past year, increasing by 144 per cent. The March index rise, although expected, was the highest jump for that month in 30 years. The Central Bureau of Statistics said Friday that the cumulative inflation rate for the first quarter of the year is 21.6 per cent, compared to 20.3 per cent for the same quarter last year and 18.6 per cent in 1980. The bureau estimated that the monthly outlay for commodities by the average family is IS30,400 net. The April index is expected to rise even higher, because it will include the payment of a 13.8 per cent cost of living increment. This has a direct impact on such costs as the housing index, health insurance premiums and other items affected by salary levels. April's rate will also be boosted by the increased cost of summer clothing, the wholesale prices of which went up 60 per cent last month. March's 7.3 per cent rise in wholesale prices for local industry is also expected to be passed on to the consumer next month. The bureau is examining the possibility of including payments to striking doctors in computing future index rises, if the strike continues.

Wages to go up by 13.8 per cent

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Salaries up to IS42,500 per month, or IS1,700 per day, will go up by 13.8 per cent, beginning with the salary for April. It was agreed on Friday between the Histadrut and the Economic Organizations Coordination Bureau. The rise, to parallel increases in the cost-of-living index since January 1, will be calculated on the full salaries paid in January — which included a 21.7 per cent C.O.L. allowance. The head of the Histadrut Trades Union Department, Yisrael Kassar, said negotiations with the employers will begin "immediately after the Day of Independence" to bring salaries in line. Whatever adjustments will be made will be paid as from the salary for April. Uzi Nathaniel, chairman of the labour committee of the Manufacturers' Association, said employers will adhere to the letter of the agreement on the issue, but noted industry was jeopardized through diminishing exports. The agreement signed on Friday also stipulates that the minimum wage from April will be IS450.97 per day (as compared with IS396.28), while in Histadrut-owned enterprises the minimum wage will be IS492.16.

Rapid devaluation of shekel means social unrest—Sadat

Post Economic Reporter
Finance Ministry Director-General Ezra Sadat on Friday told the Knesset Finance Committee that he was against accelerated devaluation of the shekel, despite pleas from exporting industrialists. The committee met to discuss the crisis in exports. Sadat said that even if there was a decision to spur devaluation it would be impossible to do this without destroying the basis of the linkage system on which pay, pensions and welfare payments were calculated. Rapid devaluation of the shekel could not be achieved except at the cost of social upheaval, he warned. He criticized attacks on the Treasury by Manufacturer's Association President Eli Hurvitz, saying that Hurvitz had taken advantage of the fact that the Finance Ministry was unable to explain publicly what steps it had taken to increase export profitability.

Singer held for inciting youths

A 40-year-old singer has been arrested on suspicion that he incited two Shufat youngsters to throw stones at passing Israeli cars in the Arab neighbourhood in north Jerusalem. Jerusalem police say they have witnesses to testify that Marian Abdul abu-Hadar, a singer who appeared at a wedding last week, changed her repertoire of love songs to nationalist songs, and as a result, the two youngsters went out and stoned an Egged 25 bus. Two women were injured in the incident. The singer was remanded into police custody for a week by Magistrate Dalia Kobel on Friday.

Two arrested in stoning of driver

Two ultra-Orthodox youngsters, aged 13 and 16, were arrested on Friday by police in connection with the stone-throwing incident, two weeks ago in which Hebrew University Professor Uzi Ritte was hospitalized with serious head injuries. The two, from Jerusalem's Geula neighbourhood, were released on bond by a Juvenile Court magistrate. Police sources said that other suspects may soon be arrested. Ritte was injured when he drove into the Geula neighbourhood on the Sabbath, when the Sabbath barrier closing off the neighbourhood apparently was not in place.

MUSEUM THEFT

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Senior police officers yesterday were reminded of a similar case several years ago when a burglary at Hechal Shlomo resulted in the disappearance of eight "priceless" religious candelabras. They have never been recovered and are assumed to be in a private collection abroad. No suspects were ever arrested. One police source said, "If we can't recover the goods within a week, they'll be out of the country." Another source noted that the current border situation with both Lebanon and Egypt makes "it very possible that the loot is already out of the country." Meanwhile, the police have set up a special investigating team, headed by Chief Inspector Pakad Avi Marciano. On the scene at the museum yesterday were some of Jerusalem's top detectives and operational officers, including Deputy Police Commander Nitzav-Mishne Felix Saban, of the Jerusalem police; Assistant Commander Nitzav-Mishne Avraham Schwartz, head of operations for the entire Southern District; and senior national police officers overseeing the activities of the mobile police lab. The burglary was discovered by one of the guards shortly before the museum was to open to the public yesterday morning. On the scene, police found a hydraulic jack, apparently used to pry open bars on the outdoor windows, mattresses that cushioned the fall of the burglar as he dropped from a high window to the floor and several other burglar tools, including a device used to break cylinder locks. Authoritative sources told Post that the burglars may have

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Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat (left) visits a monument to concentration camp victims at Auschwitz on Friday. Lahat is among 300 Israelis currently visiting Poland, which is marking the 40th anniversary of the Warsaw ghetto uprising. The other man is unidentified. There was still a question last night whether the Israeli delegation would take part in the official wreath-laying ceremony in a central Warsaw square on Tuesday, because of the scheduled participation by a PLO official at another ceremony at which the general public can lay wreaths. (UPI Telephoto)

Hammer urges Warsaw boycott

Education and Culture Minister Zevulun Hammer said on Friday that the Israeli delegation now in Warsaw for memorial services marking the 40th anniversary of the ghetto uprising should boycott the official government ceremonies. He said this would express protest against the decision to allow a PLO representative to take part in some of the ceremonies. No Israeli should take part in any ceremony marking the Holocaust with killers of Jews, he said. The American Jewish Committee on Friday also said that it was cancelling participation in the Warsaw ceremonies. A spokesman said the decision had been taken because of the Polish government's politicization of the memorial gatherings. (Itim)

Jewish adviser quits White House post

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
WASHINGTON. — President Ronald Reagan's unofficial liaison with the Jewish community has resigned. Albert Spiegel, a long-time Reagan supporter, yesterday declined to discuss his decision. He simply told The Jerusalem Post that he had "programmatic and procedural differences" with the administration. Privately, however, Spiegel was known to have been upset by his lack of involvement in the administration's decision to suspend F-16 deliveries to Israel, to try to impose a West Bank settlement freeze if Jordan's King Hussein should enter the negotiations, and to press Israel to withdraw its troops from Lebanon without adequate security arrangements. Spiegel denied a report in Friday's Washington Post that he was pushed into resigning because of an article in The Wall Street Journal on Thursday that quoted Reagan as having told Hussein that the administration was prepared to write off the Jewish vote in the 1984 elections. Michael Gale, the official White House liaison with the Jewish community, remains in the administration. The travel tax has been raised to \$2,220, in keeping with the rise in the consumer price index, the Treasury announced Friday. The rate, which came into effect at midnight last night, does not apply to travellers who paid the tax at the old rate before the deadline.

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mourns the death of its member

Professor MICHAEL ZOHARY

and extends condolences to the bereaved family

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ANGELIKA (AYA) SIMONSON

The funeral will take place today, Sunday, April 17, 1983 at 2.45 p.m. The cortege will leave from the Municipal Funeral Parlour, 5 Dafna St., Tel Aviv, for the Holon Cemetery. Transportation provided for the mourners.

Peter Sela Simonson and family

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The Family and Beit Yagur

Kupat Holim to help defray IS600 fee in urgent cases

By MARGERY GREENFELD
Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Histadrut's Kupat Holim health insurance fund on Friday decided to help pay for urgent medical care required by members. The fund will contribute IS191 for a visit to a doctor, IS341 for a visit to a hospital, and IS255 and IS401, respectively, for such visits on Sabbaths and holidays. Since shortly after the doctor's strike began 47 days ago, patients have been charged IS600 for visits to physicians or hospitals. Prescriptions, laboratory tests, X-rays and similar charges will be covered by the fund under "urgent" circumstances. Representatives of the Israel Medical Association, the Treasury and the Health Ministry continued wage talks in Tel Aviv on Friday, but little progress was reported in ending the strike. The next meeting will probably be held Tuesday. IMA representatives were "not surprised" when acting finance minister Gideon Patt and Treasury Director-General Ezra Sadat left the meeting after only an hour and a half. (Finance Minister Yoram Aridor is visiting the U.S.) "This is all part of an intentional strategy by the Treasury to obstruct any progress in these talks," IMA spokesman Dr. Shmuel Friedman told The Jerusalem Post. But Treasury officials said the early departure of Patt and Sadat was due to a "previously scheduled meeting with the Knesset Finance Committee, and the doctors were told about it in advance."

Syrians stage war exercise, harden stance on Lebanon

DAMASCUS (AP). — Syria said yesterday its army staged "highly successful" war drills as a confident of President Hafez Assad warned that Syria might declare it would not withdraw its forces from Lebanon. Syria's official news agency, SANA, said the war exercises were staged at an undisclosed Syrian area to train the army in reacting to an enemy attack on the ground with the help of the air force. A Lebanese government source, who spoke to reporters in Beirut on condition he would not be named, warned on Friday the Soviet Union might throw its weight behind Syria in a new war with Israel in Lebanon. Amid Kholi, an Assad confidant and editor of the Syrian government newspaper, Tishrin, said in a front-page editorial yesterday that "Syrian forces will not begin a withdrawal from Lebanon unless the Israeli invasion forces have completed their pull-out from that country."

PLO fails to meet on Jordan issue

TUNIS. — Plans for a meeting of Palestine Liberation Organization leaders on whether to resume talks with Jordan on a Middle East peace effort were still uncertain last night as PLO leader Yasser Arafat flew to Algiers. The meeting was postponed until this weekend in the absence of several Palestinian leaders, including Arafat, who was in Bulgaria. But the starting time was again in doubt last night as Arafat, after returning from Sofia, left once more for Algiers, where he met president Chadli Benjedid. PLO officials could not say when the talks would start, and Syrian-based headline PLO leader Naif Hawatmeh said in Damascus there was no hurry to hold them. The meeting was to discuss resuming six-month-old talks with Jordan to find a joint approach to a Middle East settlement, which were broken off by King Hussein last weekend. Meanwhile, Soviet leaders yesterday assured Syria of their support and expressed admiration for the courage and fortitude of Syria in its struggle against Israel. The assurance came in a message signed by the central committee of the Soviet Communist Party sent to Syria to mark the 37th anniversary of Syrian independence. (Reuters AP)

Kimche raps Sweden for hosting Arafat

Post Diplomatic Correspondent
Stockholm, at the invitation of the Swedish Socialist Party, had been to all intents and purposes an official visit with all the attendant fanfare and VIP treatment. Israel regarded this as a blow to the Middle East peace process. Kimche continued. It was an encouragement to a terrorist organization and Sweden knew full well the true nature of the PLO, he said. Israel has delivered a sharp rebuke to Sweden over the visit there last week of PLO chairman Yasser Arafat. Foreign Ministry Director-General David Kimche called in the Swedish Ambassador Torsten Orn on Friday to make the protest. Kimche told the envoy that the ostensibly "private" visit

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Navon terms Eitan's remarks as 'unfortunate'

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

There is no solution in Lebanon which can guarantee that no shell or Katyusha rocket will ever hit an Israeli settlement, President Yitzhak Navon said on Israel Radio yesterday.

"We should not even try for such a solution, because it will give people unrealistic expectations, and ultimately disappoint them," he said, adding that it is impossible to close any border hermetically.

What Israel should strive for, Navon said, are security arrangements which will guarantee that the terrorists will not reorganize in the areas close to the borders.

Referring to "Operation Peace for Galilee," Navon said: "When you are talking about 500 killed and over 2,000 wounded, it is war, no matter what name you choose to call it."

He refused to express an opinion on the controversy over the decision by some soldiers not to accept the Lebanon campaign ribbon. But he said he is concerned that if one soldier wears the ribbon and

another does not, each will be identified with a particular political party, and the army will cease to be the army of all the people.

For similar reasons, he feels the chief of staff should refrain from commenting on issues which are a subject of controversy between political parties.

"It is incorrect to say that a chief of staff cannot talk about political issues. If he wants to talk about Syria or Jordan or the Soviet Union, and how he sees the situation, that is not only his right but his duty. The problem begins when opinions are expressed on issues on which the parties are divided."

He termed some of outgoing Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan's recent statements "unfortunate." He said Eitan's remarks referring to West Bank Arabs as "vermin" were not good for our youth.

Navon said that if Jordan's King Hussein suddenly announced his willingness to talk peace, the Israeli public's political fatigue would abate quickly and the political parties, too, would have new material

for serious debate. A statement by the PLO claiming willingness to recognize Israel would not have that effect, he said, because nothing less than a change in the PLO charter — elimination of the clause calling for destruction of the Zionist state — would make the organization an acceptable partner for negotiations.

Navon reiterated that he would have resigned from the presidency if a commission of inquiry on the massacre in the Sabra and Shatila refugee camps had not been established. "I saw that as a moral issue, and felt it concerned our image, if not our very soul, as a people. There was another case in which I considered resigning, but I will not say what or when."

On internal issues, he said he is more concerned about tensions between religious and secular sectors of society than between Ashkenazim and Sephardim. "If you see the situation as a still photograph, the ethnic tensions are of great concern," he said. "But I believe that within 30 or 40 years the problem will disappear as marriages between people from dif-

ferent ethnic groups increase and as the educational and cultural gap closes. The use of the ethnic tensions for political capital worries me, but the answer to that is for the public simply not to stand for it."

In addition to the war in Lebanon, the other important event of the past year was the withdrawal from Sinai, he reminded the listeners. "What concerned me was the mysticism of the residents there. One of them told me there would not be an evacuation of Sinai because God would not allow it. When I talked about signed agreements and a Knesset decision, that reality did not interest him in the least."

Navon said he will not return to political life at this time, and he refused to answer questions about his reasons or about what could possibly make him change his mind. Asked how he feels about reverting to being an ordinary citizen, he said that the only thing which concerns him is knowing that he is following the dictates of his conscience and doing the best he can. Everything beyond that is unimportant, he said.



Two members of a group of 1,000 UJA young leaders now visiting Israel on a special mission, get to work in the banana fields at Kibbutz Ma'agan in Upper Galilee on Friday. (Israel Sun)

Tel Aviv police get green light to unsnarl traffic

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The police plan to expand the no-parking areas along some of the city's main thoroughfares and to step-up enforcement of traffic laws, mainly against illegal parking, Sgan-Nitzav (chief superintendent) Menashe Hadad has told *The Jerusalem Post*. The changes will be implemented after Independence Day.

Hadad, head of the district police traffic department, said that the measures are in response to complaints that part of the growing traffic congestion in Tel Aviv is due to lack of police co-operation and enforcement of the law.

Hadad said that the number of automobiles in Tel Aviv had increased considerably during the past year, while at the same time the transportation infrastructure had not been improved. He said several committees were studying the problem, but he conceded it would be some time before the committees submit their findings.

For this reason, Hadad said, he had received the go-ahead to initiate steps to alleviate the situation until the committees' findings can be implemented.

The most drastic step will be the extension of no-parking areas on main arteries, especially those serving bus and taxi lines. Hadad hopes

these measures will force many private-car owners to use public transportation and will allow buses and taxis to move at a faster pace.

Yitzhak Caspi, deputy mayor in charge of engineering, said that there are no quick solutions to the congestion problem. "We are working to improve the situation and make Tel Aviv less congested," he said.

Caspi was not willing to say how long it would take or what steps the municipality plans. He said it would be at least another two months before any decisions would be taken.

Caspi said that the reasons for the congestion are that during the past

18 months there has been a 30 per cent increase in the number of automobiles in the city, and 50 per cent of all automobiles in the country are registered in the Tel Aviv area.

Yosef Horowitz, chairman of the Dan bus cooperative, said he believed the congestion will get much worse.

Horowitz said he is pessimistic because no one is doing anything about the situation.

"The police, who should be enforcing the law, told us point blank that they have greater problems than trying to unsnarl traffic jams," he said.

Arab activists plan work camp to fix up Jaffa

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — An Arab activist group in Jaffa, which charges the Tel Aviv municipality with deliberate neglect, is planning a work camp this summer to repair Jaffa's decaying Arab neighbourhoods.

Nassime Chakar, spokesman for the League for the Arabs of Jaffa, said Friday that the camp is being jointly organized by the league and the umbrella organization of local peace groups known as Reshet (network).

"For the past 15 years or more, the municipality has followed a deliberate policy of letting the Arab areas of Jaffa run down. Municipal services were cut and garbage was

allowed to accumulate. No licences were given for new building nor for improving or making additions to homes," he said.

Chakar, 30, who is one of Jaffa's two Arab attorneys, said the municipality aimed to make conditions so miserable that Arabs would be forced to leave, thus freeing the land for development of higher-income housing under the Midron Jaffa Plan.

The development plan has been approved by the city council and is awaiting action by the Interior Ministry.

Chakar said approval of the plan would mean the virtual end of the Arab community in Jaffa, which

had a population of 120,000 Arabs before 1948, and today has an estimated 15,000.

"Most of our people won't have the means to buy the villas the city wants to put up here. They'll have to leave."

So the issue is preservation of the Arab community here," he said. "We want to stay here. Our churches, mosques, schools and clubs are all here. We want to have an Arab neighbourhood, in decent condition."

Chakar said the summer work camp would be open to anyone — Jew or Arab.

"If the municipality won't help us, we want to prove that we can help ourselves," he said.

IS90m. project aims to dry up damp flats

By CHARLES HOFFMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The winter agony of living in poorly insulated flats will become a thing of the past for thousands of Jerusalem families, if a IS90 million renovation programme, just launched by the Housing Ministry, succeeds.

Thousands of public housing flats were built in Jerusalem in the 1950s and 1960s without adequate insulation. The moisture generated in winter by overcrowding, and then aggravated by the use of kerosene heating stoves, caused mouldy patches to form on walls and made some rooms unusable in winter. People suffered from a variety of

diseases blamed on the conditions they lived in.

Residents complained to Amidar, the government housing company, which at first denied responsibility and then later pleaded lack of funds.

Project Renewal appeared on the scene several years ago and promised to remedy the situation, but plans were held up due to the lack of suitable insulation techniques.

The problem sparked the emergence of a protest movement in Ir Ganim last year, which has lately teamed up with the Peace Now movement.

On Friday Deputy Housing Minister Moshe Katsav, who is in

charge of Project Renewal, came to Ir Ganim to inspect two blocks of flats being "re-wrapped" in various combinations of styrofoam and cement.

The new insulation plus exhaust fans installed in kitchens and bathrooms is intended to make the flats warmer and dryer even if residents continue to heat with kerosene stoves. Architect Nahum Granot is supervising the project.

Three insulation systems are being tried out on these two buildings, at a cost of IS2.5m. each, and the most effective will be used to renovate hundreds more flats in Ir Ganim and in other areas in Jerusalem.

Arabs seek release of Moslem trust properties

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — Israeli Moslems yesterday called for the release of the Wak'f (Moslem Trust) property, which has been administered by the Custodian of Abandoned Property since 1949.

The call was made at a meeting at Shfaram.

Mohammed Zeidan, chairman of

Kafr Manda local council who organized the gathering, said the Moslem community cannot tolerate not having the authority running its religious affairs and using its property for cultural and religious services.

He said the total value of the Moslem trust property runs into billions of shekels. "We have the

talent to run our own affairs without the help of the custodian and the Office of the Prime Minister's Adviser on Arab Affairs," Zeidan said.

The Prime Minister's Adviser on Arab Affairs, Binyamin Gur-Arye, said the government has already released some 150 assets in the five cities and was ready to release more for religious purposes.

Weizmann Institute to award degree to Andrei Sakharov

Jerusalem Post Reporter

REHOVOT. — Soviet physicist and human rights activist Andrei Sakharov, who has been exiled to the Soviet city of Gorky, will be awarded an honorary doctorate *in absentia* at the Weizmann Institute of Science on April 28.

According to biologist Prof. Edward Trifonov, the Soviet

physicist has been subjected to constant harassment by the KGB, and has been denied opportunity to pursue his scientific work.

Trifonov quoted a letter recently smuggled out of the Soviet Union in which Sakharov wrote, "there is no scientific library opposite my home, to which I have access. I have no contact at all with scientists even in

Gorky because I am kept in total isolation."

However, harassment of the Nobel Prize-winning physicist, once named a "Hero of the Soviet Union," has recently failed to stifle either his creativity or spirit. One measure of this failure was uncovered by Weizmann physicist Prof. Harry Lipkin, who — through the underground — received one of

Sakharov's more recent scientific papers.

"I was amazed to find," reported Lipkin, "that Sakharov's work was almost identical to work I myself had done over the previous two years." Relying only upon his memory and intellectual capacity, Sakharov continues to work in his chosen fields of elementary particle physics and cosmology, Lipkin said.

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Hijack thaws Greece-Turkey ties

ANKARA (Reuters). — Turkey yesterday thanked the Greek government for securing the release of 114 passengers and crew of a Turkish airliner hijacked to Athens and for capturing the lone hijacker.

A message of thanks sent to Greek Foreign Minister Ioannis Charalambopoulos by his Turkish counterpart, İtler Turkmen, was in contrast with the usual chilly relations between the two countries.

An official announcement of the message said Turkmen and the Greek minister had been in telephone contact during Friday's events.

This was believed in Ankara to be the first official act of cooperation between the two ministers since talks aimed at resolving Greek-

Turkish differences were called off last year.

The hijacker of the plane, a 25-year-old chemistry student identified as Mahmoud Kalkan, was overpowered by police on Friday night and was later quoted by investigators as saying: "I am opposed to the regime in Turkey, and could not live there any more."

The Turkish Airlines Boeing 727 was hijacked on an internal flight from Istanbul to the port of Izmir.

The hijacker threatened the crew at knifepoint and negotiated for several hours with Greek authorities and the Australian ambassador in Athens, demanding a passage to Sydney.

A Greek government spokesman said that the hijacker would stand

trial before his extradition to Turkey could be considered.

Meanwhile, a pro-Palestinian extremist group has claimed responsibility for a car bomb attack on Wednesday that injured six persons including a Saudi Arabian diplomat, Athens police said yesterday.

A police spokesman said an organization calling itself Popular Revolutionary Solidarity made the claim in letters dropped in an Athens park.

Galli Zaafar, 39, a first secretary at the Saudi Embassy and his Greek driver were hospitalized after a stationary car crammed with explosives blew up as they drove by. Four passersby were slightly injured by the blast in a street near the embassy.



Mahmud Kalkan, hijacker of a Turkish airliner, enjoys his breakfast yesterday following his capture in Athens on Friday night. (Story adjacent).

In Sydney, Australia, a koala bear grabs a nap as a monkey clings to her back at Featherdale Wildlife Park. (UPI Telephotos)

Reagan, Kohl await Soviet move on arms

WASHINGTON (AP). — Chancellor Helmut Kohl of West Germany says he is prepared to act as a go-between to encourage Soviet leader Yuri Andropov to respond favourably to President Ronald Reagan's latest arms control proposal. But he added the hope the Kremlin would move soon to reduce nuclear missiles in Europe.

"It now is up to the Soviet Union, and it is its great responsibility, to respond constructively to this initiative and clear the way for a solution acceptable to both sides," Kohl said after his two-hour meeting with Reagan on Friday.

Immediately on Kohl's return to Bonn yesterday, a government spokesman announced that the Chancellor would meet Andropov in Moscow before the end of June. Diplomats said the talks were

almost certain to centre on West German plans to deploy 204 new U.S. medium-range missiles if stalled Soviet-U.S. arms control talks fail in Geneva in the autumn.

Veteran Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko warned during a visit in Bonn in January that deployment of the rockets could have serious consequences for East-West relations.

In Washington, Kohl said it was important to make the western stand clear to avoid any misunderstandings by Moscow. He reiterated that West Germany was committed to deploying U.S. Pershing II and cruise missiles in Europe next December, but that he preferred negotiating for the dismantling of Soviet medium-range missiles and calling off the deployment. Reagan said he and Kohl

agreed that NATO must deploy new missiles in Europe "if continued Soviet intransigence" prevents an arms accord.

"As leaders of our respective countries, we call on the Soviet Union to respond seriously to our proposals," Reagan said in a departure ceremony following a two-hour meeting with Kohl.

In Peking, China's official Xinhua news agency accused Reagan on Friday of taking a new step in the arms race that will aggravate U.S.-Soviet relations and pose a greater menace to world peace.

Xinhua said Reagan's decision to start immediately developing a defence system against nuclear weapons for the space era "means an attempt to outpace the Soviet Union to gain superiority."

Finland expels North Korean envoy

HELSINKI (Reuters). — North Korean Ambassador Yu Jae Han was told to leave Finland after trying to bribe a Finnish politician to stop a meeting of the Inter-Parliamentary Union from being held in South Korea, informed sources said Friday.

The government said he had been declared *persona non grata* for violating Finnish law and diplomatic custom. Foreign Minister Paer Stenbaeck said the Korean had tried to influence a leading politician.

Sources said the ambassador had offered \$5,000 to Centrist Johannes Virolainen, the former speaker of the Finnish parliament and president of the IPU.

Daily Express editor

LONDON (AP). — Sir Larry Lamb, 53, who resigned two years ago as editor of *The Sun*, Britain's best-selling newspaper, was named on Friday as editor of the rival *Daily Express*.

He takes over from Christopher Ward.

N-TEST. — The U.S. conducted an underground nuclear test in the Nevada desert on Thursday, with an explosion equivalent to 20,000 to 150,000 tons of TNT.

U.S. sees chance for nuclear accord

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — Kenneth Adelman, confirmed Thursday as director of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency after a hard fight in the Senate, said he will push for "a strong arms control programme... encompassing real nuclear-arms reductions."

He also expressed the belief that it was "entirely possible" to reach agreement with the Soviet Union.

Adelman, for the last two years deputy chief of America's UN mission opposite this headquarters, made the comments at a news conference there less than two hours after the Senate's 57-42 vote for his confirmation.



Kenneth Adelman (UPI)

15,000 Argentines stage protest

BUENOS AIRES (AP). — Some 15,000 people marched to government house on Friday and handed over a petition with more than 200,000 names demanding the "reappearance" of thousands of people missing since the mid-1970s.

The military regime refused to accept the documents, which filled two shopping carts.

The march was the largest human rights demonstration here since the military took power in a 1976 coup. The petition, circulated in recent weeks by human rights activists, cal-

led for the "reappearance alive" of the "disappeared people."

Local and international human rights groups say between 6,000 and 15,000 people are missing as a result of the government's campaign against leftist guerrillas between 1975 and 1979. The human rights activists contend many of the Desaparecidos were kidnapped, tortured and summarily executed on the mere suspicion of connection with the revolutionaries.

UK expels Soviet official

LONDON (AP). — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's government on Friday expelled Anatoli Tchernaev, a third secretary at the Soviet Embassy in London, in apparent retaliation for the expulsion of a British air attaché and a journalist on April 8, the Foreign Office announced.

Foreign Office officials said the Soviet ambassador in London, Victor Popov, was informed that Tchernaev was being ordered out as "a direct consequence" of Moscow's "spiteful retaliation" in expelling the two Britons.

Tchernaev is the eighth Soviet to be expelled from this country in the last 16 months amid a major clear-out of alleged Soviet agents across Europe in recent months. The others were five Soviet diplomats, a reporter for a Soviet weekly and a translator at the International Wheat Council. All were expelled for alleged spying.

The Kremlin ordered Britain's assistant air attaché in Moscow, squadron leader David Williams, and *Financial Times* correspondent Anthony Robinson out in retaliation for the expulsion of three Soviets from London on March 31.

Hawaiian vice-squad stirs row over civic duty, sex

HONOLULU (Reuters). — A row has broken out over a police anti-vice campaign that involves paying men to have sex with prostitutes and then turning them in.

Call girls, civil liberty officials and defence lawyers are loudly complaining about the police tactics. Even a judge in one case involving a prostitute caught, convicted and jailed under crackdown described the vice-squad's methods as deceptive.

A hotel manager, the first man known to have taken part in the scheme, said he volunteered to cooperate with the police out of a sense of civic duty.

But call girls in the Hawaiian capital's red light district denounced the conviction, on his evidence, of one of their colleagues.

"With the police paying what we charge our customers, every pervert in Honolulu is suddenly going to become a public-spirited citizen," one girl said.

The convicted prostitute's lawyer, Reinhard Mohr, said: "You can now serve your community by fornicating... once the word gets out there will be no shortage of volunteers." Prostitute Francine Tookes' comments were not recorded as she was sentenced on Thursday to 30 days in jail and fined \$500.

Iraq leader invites Khomeini to attend Moslem conference

BAGHDAD. — President Saddam Hussein of Iraq yesterday invited Iranian leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini to an Islamic conference here on the 31-month-old Iran-Iraq war.

The delegates include Musa al-Musawi, grandson of a leading ayatollah. He is known to be close to Iranian opposition figures in Paris, led by Masoud Rajavi of the

Police quiz Walesa's driver

WARSAW (AP). — Police in the Baltic port of Gdansk released the driver of Solidarity chief Lech Walesa yesterday morning after holding him for 25 hours for questioning on Walesa's clandestine meeting with fugitive union leaders a week ago.

Mieczyslaw Wachowski said by telephone from Walesa's apartment that the interrogation also covered his role as the labour chief's driver, assistant, and occasional spokesman.

Waiting outside the police station Friday for his driver's release, Walesa vowed to hold another meeting with the Solidarity's five-member "temporary coordinating commission."

On Thursday, the Solidarity underground urged union supporters to stage nationwide protest marches on May 1, a major holiday in the Soviet bloc.

The demonstrations would be the first organized by the Solidarity underground in six months.

Suzman marks 30 years of fighting apartheid

CAPE TOWN (AP). — Helen Suzman marked her 30th anniversary in parliament on Friday, still lashing out at the white-minority government's policies of apartheid.

Suzman, 65, was first elected by her wealthy Johannesburg suburban district in April 1953 for the former United Party, and quickly emerged as a feisty opponent of laws denying rights to the black majority. She helped the Liberal wing break away in 1959 to form the Progressive Federal Party, and served as its lone legislator for 13 years, from 1961 to 1974, before the PFP's ranks slowly grew to 27 of the 165 seats.

Suzman remains the chief thorn in the side of Prime Minister P.W. Botha's National Party, questioning ministers about detention without trial, forced removal of blacks to tribal homelands and other issues.

'Gandhi' director drops South Africa plans

LONDON (Reuters). — Sir Richard Attenborough indicated on Friday that he had dropped his plan to attend the main South Africa

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Richard Krawitz

A man of the people

By D'VORA BEN SHAUL



THE DAVID LEVY jokes are a thing of the past. So is the pain he felt during the early period of the first Likud government, when he was the butt of the nation.

In a conversation with the editors of *The Jerusalem Post* last week, the deputy premier and minister of construction and housing was not embarrassed to talk about those jokes. "I can understand them. I was a nobody, someone people had never heard of, and suddenly there I was on Olympus. The natural thing in a case like that is to undress you. But that's all past now. They know me. And I don't think such a thing will happen in the future."

In his office at the ministry, the man who climbed to that Olympus on a construction workers' scaffold looked very much at home, and the walls, decorated with citations and awards from municipalities and district councils, bear testimony to the fact that a lot of people have come to know him. It is with that grassroots base that Levy identifies.

This week he is representing the government at the Israeli Independence celebrations in the U.S. He does not plan to visit Washington, unless "it is seen to be advantageous." The celebrations in New

York are to include a parade of 400,000 marchers, and one million Jews are expected to line the route.

SPEAKING of the situation in Lebanon, Levy, who was known to have been critical at times of former defence minister Ariel Sharon, said:

"Yes, I haven't hesitated to say what I think but it was never personal, and there has never been a case where once the government had reached a decision, I failed to back it. As to the question that keeps coming up about the 45-kilometre penetration that was first advocated, the same government that decided on the first step also decided on the rest. I don't think you can grant a government a mandate to decide on one step and not on the rest."

In his precise Hebrew diction, the 46-year-old minister went on to talk about the war itself.

"I believe that it was a necessary war, either now or a bit later, and if we had waited until later we would have paid dearly, many times over, in civilian casualties. I know, a lot of people maintain that there was no need to act offensively against Syrian intervention in Lebanon and

against the general threat, because everything was quiet. Well, there's nothing quieter than a gun before it shoots."

Does he feel that the government obtained its objectives in Operation Peace for Galilee?

"You don't get everything you want by negotiation. If you do, then it's not a negotiation but a dictate. But we did destroy the PLO infrastructure in Lebanon and if we can now get an agreement on open borders and on security against hostile acts originating in Southern Lebanon, then we will have succeeded in coming that much closer to a real peace. If you fail to get some of the things you want, it doesn't mean that you've failed altogether."

IN REPLY to a question about the cooling of relations with Egypt, Levy holds that "no one promised us a rose garden. Things are cool right now, but the peace is holding and proving itself. It is in Egypt's interest to maintain the peace treaty. But we need not be so formal. We can afford to take steps to develop better contacts."

This recognition of the pressures to which other countries are being

submitted was also evident as he spoke of Israel's strained relations with the United States.

"We have to recognize the motivations of other countries. The Americans want a continuation of a process they started. They want to increase their influence in the area. We have to see things as they are. Nothing is to be served by discontinuing the dialogue. But we must protect our own interests while continuing the dialogue in an atmosphere of understanding and of reliability and trust, and without being threatened with a discontinuation of the dialogue."

AS TO JUDEA and Samaria, the minister of construction and housing feels that "it is pointless to argue about this."

It is a fact that most Israelis oppose the idea of a Palestinian state in Judea and Samaria. If that is so, then what are the alternatives? Annexation? A continuation of the current military government? I see autonomy, the very autonomy we agreed to, as the only viable alternative.

"I feel that we, the U.S. and Egypt all signed this agreement and that it is time to put it into action."

Remember, when there is autonomy, it will be a whole new situation. What will develop then remains to be seen, but it certainly will not be the situation as it exists today."

Adamant as he is in his opposition to violations of law and order as a means of achieving aims, Levy, father of 12 children, who has lived in a development town under Katyusha attacks and terrorist infiltrations, sympathizes with the settlers in Judea and Samaria.

"They live there, and they have every right to demand that their government protect them. I know some of them are hotheads. They say, 'If you don't protect me I'll protect myself.' I understand their point of view, but it should not be necessary."

Looking at the domestic scene, the grey-haired young minister felt that "it's so very easy to blame someone for what isn't right. It's the easiest thing in the world. It's also easy to beat your breast and say *mea culpa*, but it's a lot harder to try to understand the situation. To hear some people talk, you would think that we have nothing in common with this region in general or with the rest of the world. You'd think that we had lived in a garden of Eden and someone suddenly spoiled it."

LEVY SPOKE of the continual rise in living standards and of the revolution in Israeli industry and exports.

"You may grow good parsley, but you can't live on what it sells for. It's a question of trying to compete with cheap labour or with Jewish brains. We have an industry in my home town of Beit She'an where young Israelis, just out of the army, are making electronic components for our own use and for the American space project."

He does not see any way out of the present situation, economically, politically or sociologically.

"Everyone wants national unity. Everyone wants cultural advancement. Everyone wants economic stability. But the price for all these things is high."

According to David Levy, this is no time for drastic steps, because any sharp change could be disastrous.

"Right now we have almost no unemployment, and realistic salaries. That, in itself, is something." Nor does he believe that any other government has, or can, handle things any better.

With regard to the social situation and the increase in factional disputes that often lead to violence, Levy describes the Ashkenazi-Sephardi cultural rift as "the most dangerous and serious element in Israel's society."

Admitting that every political party uses these feelings of discrimination, whether racial, religious or cultural, for their own purpose, Levy denies that the government is exploiting this cultural rift for political purposes.

"The situation has been building up for many years and everyone knew that the explosion was going to come. But even though there is a cultural gap and poverty, both economic and spiritual, few countries have less problems than we do."

Where the strong dissension between the government and the opposition is concerned, David Levy feels that it is possible to reach a better level of understanding. He recounted how, as a young immigrant, he had admired and appreciated David Ben-Gurion, and why years later, he named his son for Levi Eshkol.

"I came to him when I was representing a small development town that was under constant Katyusha attack. I asked him to visit Beit She'an and he came. He saw the huts that burst into flame with every rocket attack, and he saw the lack of shelters. He wasted no time,

but ordered his staff to see to it. He said he didn't want to hear anything about budgets, but about shelters in Beit She'an. And it was done."

"I admired Eshkol very much, and when my son was born on the seventh day after his death I named him in his memory. I did it because it expressed my feelings for the man."

ASKED ABOUT his political future, Levy, who is often mooted as one of the most likely successors to the Herut leadership, spoke with hesitation.

"There is a party and its institutions. Prime Minister Begin is still head of the party. When the time comes that he steps down, we shall see. I am convinced that there will be a candidate who will fulfil my own expectations and the expectations of others. Then one has to decide whether he can also win the public vote. It's a waste of time to deal with those matters at this stage. I'm not a prophet and I don't practise astrology."

David Levy's current trip to the U.S. involves a rare breaking of his rule that whatever else he has to do, he always goes home to Beit She'an at night.

"I stayed in Jerusalem one night a few years ago. When I heard the news at six o'clock the next morning, there had been a terrorist attack on a house, a couple of doors away from my home, the house of relatives of mine. People were killed and wounded. I wondered how my children must have felt with their father away at such a time. Ever since, when humanly possible, I go home to sleep."

The Levys still live in a modest flat on the main road in Beit She'an. "I'm right there, in the midst of my people, and that's where I want to live," says Levy. He admits that the commuting is tiring, "but think of the compensation. I'm not only in my own home at night, but every morning I have the view of Jerusalem in front of me when I come to work."

Salute to valour

By JUDY SIEGEL-ITZKOVICH / Jerusalem Post Reporter



MOSHE KRAWITZ, 55, was born in the Ukraine. During World War II he fought as a partisan against the German army. In 1947 he came on aliyah alone on an "illegal immigration" ship and joined Kibbutz Regavim, of which he is still a member. Born in Tunisia, he was taken to the camps set up by the Germans. After the German defeat he helped found the pioneering movement in his country and joined the Hagana, working in the purchase of weapons and training. He came on aliyah in 1945. During the early '60s he worked secretly in the campaign to bring Moroccan Jews on aliyah.

BEN-ZION LEITNER, 55, was born in the Ukraine. During World War II he fought as a partisan against the German army. In 1947 he came on aliyah alone on an "illegal immigration" ship and joined Kibbutz Ashdot Ya'acov. During the War of Independence he fought in the Givati Brigade and took part in various escapades, in which he was slashed in the stomach with knives. Though he was almost unconscious, he attacked an enemy bunker and killed the enemy with grenades. He lives in Herzliya Pituah with his family and works in Mann Auditorium.

YA'ACOV (YAKUBA) COHEN works as a gardener in Kibbutz Alonim, but his past career as an intelligence officer was unknown until now. Born in Jerusalem to a family with 13 children, Cohen joined the Palmah and, after the State was established, joined the intelligence corps. When the corps was brought into the Mossad, he took a few years off to study and then returned to the Mossad, for which he launched several secret operations abroad against the Fatah. He retired in 1977 and returned to his kibbutz, where he served as kibbutz secretary and now is busy gardening.

SARA SHIMONI, 54, was born in Tunisia, and came on aliyah with her husband in 1949. They settled in Lod, where they still live. She worked in immigrant absorption in a transit camp, and then studied social work. The couple's eldest son (they have two other sons and a daughter) was killed in the Yom Kippur War. Since then, Sara has volunteered at Yad Lebanim and counselled other bereaved families.

SEREN MOSHE KRAWITZ received a medal of valour for his service in the Peace for Galilee Operation. Born in Holon 23 years ago, he joined the armoured corps after being drafted into the army. A header yeshiva student, Krawitz was sent to Lebanon last June, and was caught in a tank battle near Halde. When the commander of the tankists was wounded, Krawitz took over, evacuating the wounded and bringing them to cover while risking his own life. He was hit, and his hearing was affected permanently. But he nevertheless continued to save the wounded. He still serves in the army.

YERAHMIEL PALZENSTEIN, 59, was born in the Ukraine. When Hitler's army invaded in 1941, he volunteered for the Red Army and became an officer. He was awarded the Lenin Prize for his outstanding service, during which he was seriously wounded. After the War he worked in the textile industry. Only in 1975 was he allowed to emigrate. Today he works in the military industries.

SIMHA ROTEM was born in Warsaw in 1924. He joined the fighters when the Warsaw Ghetto uprising broke out, and led the few remaining fighters out through sewer pipes to safety in a nearby forest. He later joined the Polish resistance in Warsaw. After the Germans were defeated by the Red Army, Simha Rotem joined the "illegal immigration" to Palestine and came on aliyah in 1945, when he joined the

THE CEREMONY atop Jerusalem's Mt. Herzl that will usher in Independence Day this evening is quite moving, even though it follows a rigid formula which has not been changed at all over the years.

The main variation is the different people who are selected to kindle the 12 torches — symbolizing the 12 Tribes of Israel — at the high point of the ceremony.

With this year's designated theme "The Year of Valour," the dozen people chosen to kindle the torches at this evening's central ceremony all have something to do with Jewish bravery in wars since 1939 and underground movements in Eretz Yisrael.

The following people, chosen by a public committee comprising of Ya'acov Schatz, director of the Government Information Centre, Dr. Yitzhak Arad, Yehuda Miron, Mordechai Naor and David Niv, will kindle the torches this year.

YOSEF AVIDAR, 77, was born in Russia. He packed up his belongings at the age of 19 and moved to Eretz Yisrael, where he worked in construction and later joined the Hagana in Jerusalem. In the 1929 Arab riots, he commanded Hagana fighters in the Old City. During training in 1931, he lost the palm of his right hand. Avidar was given responsibility for the overnight "tower and stockade" settlements in the '30s, and for the establishment of 11 Negev settlements in '46. In 1945 he was named deputy chief of staff of the Hagana. He served as Israel's ambassador to Moscow and Argentina. At the age of 65 he decided to study, and went to the Hebrew University, which granted him, nine years later, a doctoral degree in Russian studies. He has two daughters and seven grandchildren.

RAFAEL SABAN was born in Jerusalem in 1915. His father came from Turkey, and his mother was the daughter of Yehoshua Buria, holder of the keys to the tomb of Rachel. Rafael was a disciple of Vladimir Jabotinsky, and joined the IZL in 1931. Under the command of David Raziel, he was called upon to collect funds for the IZL. Saban planned the robbery of the Rehavia branch of Bank Yehaphet in Jerusalem, and took on the job himself after the young man he had trained took ill. He was arrested by the British, and was sentenced to five years in prison. When the IZL was disbanded in 1948, he joined the Israel Defence Forces.

YEHOSHUA COHEN, 61, was born in Tel Aviv, and moved with his family to Kfar Sava at the age of six. Eight years later he joined the IZL. After the split in the underground organization, he became part of Lehi, in which he fought actively. He later moved to Kibbutz Sede Boker, and served as David Ben-Gurion's companion during his famous long morning walks. He still works in the kibbutz orchards.

YONATAN FRIDAN, born in Tel Aviv in 1921, is now 62, but he still serves in the army reserves.

Fridan joined the Hagana when he was 18. In 1941, he joined the British army, and joined the Jewish Brigade to fight the Nazis. He was awarded a top medal for his fighting in Italy. He joined the IDF in 1948 and remained until 1954, having served as commander of a training

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Sports

So close to heaven

NEW YORK (AP). — Detroit's Milt Wilcox pitched 8½ perfect innings before pinch-hitter Jerry Hairston knocked him out of the record books with a single, as the Tigers beat the Chicago White Sox 6-0 on Friday night.

Wilcox, who had struck out eight, was only one out away from the 11th perfect game in major-league history when Hairston batted for Jerry Dybzinski and ripped the first pitch up the middle for a clean single.

Wilcox, a right-hander five days shy of his 33rd birthday, finished off the game when Rudy Law grounded out.

In Minneapolis, homers by Reggie Jackson, Fred Lynn and Bobby Grich carried the California Angels to an 8-2 victory over the Twins. The game began about four hours after the Metrodome roof was resealed following a quick patch job to repair a rip caused by Thursday's heavy snowfall.

Jim Rice had three hits, including a two-run homer in the first inning, and the Boston Red Sox rolled to a 4-1 victory over Texas. Billy Sample homered for the Rangers.

Frank White tripled home the tying run in the sixth inning, then scored the game-winning on Jerry Martin's sacrifice fly as Kansas City beat Milwaukee 4-3, ruining the Brewers' home opener.

Cleveland at Baltimore was rained out.

Gaylord Perry and Mike Stanton combined on a four-hitter as Seattle defeated Oakland 5-1. Perry worked the first seven innings and gave up three hits. Ken Phelps hit his second homer in two nights for the Mariners.

Rookie Greg Brock hit his third homer in three games to help Los Angeles beat San Diego 6-2.

Dan Driessen hit a two-run homer to lead the Cincinnati Reds to a 3-1 victory over San Francisco.

Craig Reynolds' 10th-innings single gave the Houston Astros their first victory of 1983 following a record-tying nine-game losing streak, a 7-6 triumph over the Montreal Expos.

The Astros share the National League modern-era record for the most consecutive victories at the start of a season with the 1918 Brooklyn Dodgers, 1919 Boston Braves and 1962 New York Mets. The major league mark is 13 in a row by Washington in 1904 and the Detroit Tigers in 1920.

George Hendrick's third home run in three games led the St. Louis Cardinals to their fifth consecutive victory, 5-2 over the New York Mets.

Chicago at Pittsburgh was postponed because of cold weather. Atlanta at Philadelphia was rained out.

FRIDAY'S GAMES

National League
Chicago at Pittsburgh, p.m. cold weather
Atlanta at Philadelphia, p.m. rain
Houston 7, Montreal 6, 10 innings
St. Louis 5, New York 2
Los Angeles 6, San Diego 2
Cincinnati 3, San Francisco 1

American League
Kansas City 4, Milwaukee 3
Boston 4, Texas 1
Cleveland at Baltimore, p.m. rain
Toronto 6, New York 5
Detroit 6, Chicago 0
California 8, Minnesota 2
Seattle 5, Oakland 1

Mash mash Embassy

TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv Mash-Arad won two great softball victories here yesterday, beating the U.S. Embassy 29-15 and Western Galilee 7-1 behind the pitching of Bert Tannenbaum. Bernie Bottle Club edged Western Galilee 8-6 in a very tight game. In Division B, Maccabi Guld swept a double-header from the Arava Suns 12-7 and 17-11.

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David downs Goliath

By PAUL KOHN
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Thirty-nine-year old stopper Moshe "Mutz" Leon was the hero of Maccabi Jaffa, his team since childhood, in their shock of the season 1-0 victory over league leaders Maccabi Netanya, in Netanya yesterday. This was a match between the top team facing the bottom in the National League, and the three points won by Jaffa lifted the team a rung into 15th position, with still a slight hope of avoiding relegation. The Jaffa goal was scored by Ronnie Gaon with a header in the 53rd minute.

Leon played the lion's role in the Jaffa defence that kept out the normally goal-hungry Netanya forwards like Oded Machness, Moshe Gariani and Benny Lamm. Herzl Kabilio, Jaffa's 33 year goalkeeper, also played an outstanding game.

This was Maccabi Netanya's first home defeat of the season. The one loss at home that Netanya suffered last season was also at the hands of Maccabi Jaffa.

The most spectacular win of the season was returned yesterday by Hapoel Tel Aviv, who ran out 2-1 victors in their Tel Aviv derby against Bnei Yehuda. Gil Landau, whose wife gave birth to their first son last week, celebrated with a hat-trick, in the 13th minute with a header, a shot in the 50th and a penalty in the 60th. Moshe Sinai scored two goals in the 82nd and 85th minutes. The other goals were scored by Moshe Pizanti and Dov Remler. Menahem Mor scored Bnei Yehuda's consolation goal in the 65th minute.

While Hapoel put on a gala performance in their best football of the season, the absence of regular Bnei Yehuda defenders Sergio Chauval, Ronnis Haim and David Sulman obviously left Bnei Yehuda very much weakened.

Ten thousand spectators in Haifa were disappointed that neither Maccabi Haifa or Bnei Yehuda could score a goal. Uri Malmilian again played a fine game but the strikers in front of him failed to beat Zadok Avrahamy in the Haifa goal.

A strong ray of spring hope shone for Hapoel Jerusalem fans, as their Yoav Basson cracked in two goals in their 2-0 win over Hapoel Kfar Sava at the YMCA Stadium.

Already in the third minute, Meir Barad's pass found Basson, who made no mistake with his shot. In the 56th minute Zion Marifi fed Basson the ball that notched the valuable two goal win.

Kfar Sava played without their two stars, Yisrael Vogel and Yitzhak Mainony sidelined because of disciplinary offences and were helpless in attack as a result.

Hapoel Beersheba inflicted their fourth consecutive defeat on Maccabi Tel Aviv, winning 3-0 in the Negev city with all three goals, scored in the last 15 minutes. Beersheba controlled the game throughout, but it was only Shlomo Iluz's goal in the 75th minute that broke Maccabi. Sami Malkha scored a minute later from the penalty spot and Rafi Ben Hamu clinched the result in the 83rd minute.

Hapoel Lod beat Maccabi Yavne by the same result, with goals by Benny Smudja in the 30th minute, Yacov Bugzio in the 47th minute and Zeev Band in the last minute. Lod goalkeeper Yacov Benodis missed from the penalty spot against Yavne goalie Yitzhak Levy, hitting the post. Lod missed other fine scoring chances after playing some splendid football.

Betar Tel Aviv and Ramat Amidar are running away with the Second Division, and, after 1-0 wins yesterday, now look certain of promotion to National League football next season. Five other teams are in a tight struggle for the third berth for promotion-Hakoah, Hapoel Haifa, Hapoel Ashkelon, Hapoel Rishon LeZion and Hapoel Petah Tikva. They are separated only by two points.

Seventeen players of Israel's Olympic soccer squad leave today for England for a game on Tuesday against Watford, who are third in the English First Division.

The Watford manager Graham Taylor was in Israel last month with the England youth team which beat the local Olympians 4-2. The game in Watford will be a useful test for the Olympic team, under coach Yosef Mirinowitch.



Hapoel Jerusalem goalkeeper Motti Weizman stops a hot one (Israeli)

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MEMORIAL DAY and Independence Day, by design, demand a violent wrenching of the national mood. The nation, before celebrating its sovereignty, which has so changed the position and character of the Jewish People, is first summoned to dwell upon the thousands of fallen, the thousands of tales of pain and tragedy and sacrifice etched indelibly into the independence the living enjoy.

For unlike other states marking their emergence to sovereignty, Israel's national freedom, while fixed by a date in history, has had to overcome a continuing process of violent challenge. Each generation and sub-generation, since 1948, has had to man the ramparts and sustain the onslaughts of those who would extinguish Jewish political sovereignty. It is entirely fitting therefore, that the celebration of national freedom is intertwined with sombre contemplation of its tragic costs.

The nation's 35th Independence Day poses this duality in vivid outline. A war begun almost a year ago is still not ended. Its toll continues to mount, though the set battles have long concluded.

But the duality, on this Independence Day, has a special resonance. For the contemplation of freedom and its costs is no longer encased in a broad national consensus that characterized Israel for so long. The vision of Israel's vital national security needs, for which further sacrifice may have to be sustained, inherent in the policy of the Government and shared by its supporters, alienates a broad section of the nation.

In the daily parlance of politics, this division is perceived in partisan and party terms. But its significance far transcends the dialogue of party. For the values that keep the nation together, not the calculations of party advantage, are at issue.

In a curious way, yet to be fully understood, the very severity of this national division, has produced a numbing fatalism. Never has the national agenda been so filled with signs of attrition, with so few accompanying signs of national concern.

Wherever the eye is cast, danger looms. The economy, when measured by productivity, is in disastrous retreat. The divisions between orthodox and secular, Ashkenazi and Sephardi, Arab and Jew have been sharply exacerbated. And in external affairs, Israel's international position, including relations with the U.S., has plummeted to a perilous loneliness. Impelled by a single-minded preoccupation to fasten Jewish rule on the West Bank and Gaza, the government has sought to turn the usages of occupation into an ethic and the resultant international isolation into a virtue.

Confronted with such an agenda, perhaps it is not surprising that a harried people should retreat into the comforts of privatism and the benefits of consumption, expediently supplied by a Treasury whose only policy is to secure foreign subsidy in order to keep reality away.

But such retreat, like the bubble of foreign and economic policy which sustain it, can only be a temporary refuge. For it is not the stuff of which national independence is made or fortified.

As we mark the 35th year of our history of achievement and sacrifice, we could do no better than to rekindle the national understanding that we could, and must, do better.

DEPUTY C-OS

(Continued from Page One)

Former defence minister Ariel Sharon had seriously considered him as director-general of the Defence Ministry, but ultimately it was decided that Ivi would take over the Israel Aircraft Industries, the prime contractor on the Lavi.

It was not until a few hours before the army spokesman's announcement that Ivi gave his final approval. For three weeks he had withstood pressure from the defence establishment, and it was not until his conversation with Arens on Friday morning that he reluctantly agreed to take the job.

There was no reason other than "wanting a highly competent officer who the chief-of-staff wants to work with" behind Ivi's appointment, a senior defence source assured *The Jerusalem Post* last night. It does not indicate a change of attitude within the IDF toward either the role of the Air Force or the traditional role of the deputy chief-of-staff, the source said.

Ivi is not the first Air Force commander to be named deputy chief-of-staff. Ezer Weizman preceded him in 1967. But his being called back into uniform makes his case unique. His appointment also has nothing to do with the Lavi project, the source said, adding that it will take up no more time on Ivi's agenda, than on that of any other person appointed to the position.

With the jobs of deputy chief-of-staff and chief of military intelligence filled, there are other senior positions to be filled: O.C. manpower division; quartermaster general; military attaché to Washington; and the new position of O.C. ground forces, now in the process of being created. Soon the training division and the Northern

Command will also come up for replacement.

Aluf Barak (Bruck) has been head of the military planning branch since January 1982. He has filled a long line of senior field commands, despite his young age, including being commander of one of the IDF's top voluntary units.

He has also commanded a division, and is considered one of the brightest young generals.

There have been unconfirmed reports that Aluf Yehoshua Saguy, forced to resign as O.C. military intelligence after the Kahan Commission into the massacre at the Sabra and Shatilla Palestinian refugee camps tabled its recommendations, could be a candidate to replace Barak at planning.

"There are at least 20 other candidates as well," a senior defence source said.

TOMORROW IS Independence Day and Chief of Staff Rafael Eitan leaves the army. He leaves behind an army at a crossroads.

The process of filling slots continues, as does the internal backbiting and politicking that have marked this succession like no other. The war in Lebanon continues, as do the negotiations for a settlement, leaving military planners suspended between heaven and earth as they try to evolve a cogent strategy for the coming work year.

A new minister has taken over, inheriting a fluid situation with little help from his predecessor. Moshe Levy takes over as the new chief of staff today, almost simultaneously with the resignation of a senior officer with an impeccable combat record, whose departure is bound to have an impact on the attitudes of many in the upper echelons who admired and supported him.

Rafael leaves at a time when there are soldiers refusing to accept ribbons for Operation Peace for Galilee, and when there is an unprecedented outbreak of criticism of his intervention in Israeli politics. He leaves at a time when soldiers are still being killed in a war that has had four endings, but has yet to be brought to a conclusion.

RAFUL, the soldier and leader, was recently the subject of a long article in *The Post* by this writer. That was before he lost his public self-control. The damage Rafal has caused with some of his recent statements is becoming an embarrassment to the nation, to the army, and to those who have praised him over the years as a soldier and a

man of integrity. It is perhaps those who have praised him who are the most disappointed.

When he deceived the world about the circumstances of the Phalangists' entry into Sabra and Shatilla, one could say that he did it to protect Israel. The act was inexcusable, but understandable. But as regards his tale about Nava Elimelech having been murdered by a terrorist undergoing initiation into the PLO, his intention could not have been honourable.

He maliciously added fuel to the fires of hatred engulfing the nation as never before. Was the grenade that killed Emil Grunzweig not a clear enough indication that this is a time for reconciliation?

Despite vociferous denials from the heads of every government agency connected with security, Eitan insisted that he was correct about Nava.

He produced not a shred of evidence to support his claim. But he knew that he did not have to, because the people of Israel would believe their chief of staff. He knew that his message would hit the mark. It did.

EITAN APPARENTLY believes that hatred is an essential ingredient for right-wing nationalism. His advice to soldiers (and settlers?) in Judea, Samaria and Gaza is to "break their bones when they get out of hand." He did this at a time of heightened tension in the territories, and at a time of increasing

By HIRSH GOODMAN

acts of Jewish vigilantism.

Some of his statements on the territories, his verbal exchange with Yossi Sarid in the Knesset this week, sound more like the utterances of a simpleton than of a chief of staff. His interview in *Ha'aretz* in which he counselled the use of clubs, his reference to the inhabitants of the territories as "drugged cockroaches in a bottle," his assertion that terrorists kill children as an entrance exam into the PLO, his instructions, in terminology worthy of the street, to Israeli forces on the West Bank on how to deal with troublemakers, are all dues to the working of Rafal's mind. Added together, they reveal a callousness and a grossness unbefitting the highest ranking officer of an army whose slogan is "Follow me."

Eitan is convinced of his own rectitude. But it seems that the cumulative anti-educational effect of his statements and actions has totally escaped him. Rafal, very satisfied with the way he has led the IDF these past five years, has to ask himself why it was under his leadership that senior officers resigned their commissions. Why there is a movement, even marginal, of front-line troops who are denying the IDF's right to order them into Lebanon.

THE IDF Rafal is leaving behind has been wracked by controversy. He failed to be a buffer between the independent will of former defence minister Ariel Sharon and what he

knew to be the government's formal position. He failed to relay the mood and counsel of his general staff, nor did he pay much heed to the advice of others.

Perhaps most serious of all, Rafal became a questionable figurehead for many in uniform who could not align themselves with the increasingly outrageous statements, remarks and poems being published in the name of the chief of staff. He came to represent a different army from the one they had chosen to serve in, representing different values from those they had been taught were the correct ones.

Eitan's behaviour went beyond the accepted norms of individual expression allowed to a man at the head of a people's army, which cannot afford to be political in a country where some 80 per cent of the forces are reservists from all walks of political life.

Thankfully, Rafal is leaving the army. The IDF has problems enough on its plate, given the tenuous security situation both in Lebanon and the territories, not to have to deal with the never-ending flow of vitriol that is dividing, and therefore weakening this country.

It is traditional for the IDF to be the centre of attraction on Independence Day. It is a sad testament to the times that this year there is tarnish on the brass, almost to the point of obscuring the essential truth that the army, as a fighting organization, has much for us to be proud of. And each new pronouncement

ment from Rafal has served to add only another layer of tarnish.

MOSHE LEVY is not inheriting a cohesive army. He has inherited an army at war, and an army whose future supplies have been jeopardized by the current state of Israel-American relations. He will be living with the reality of budget cuts which will be essential if Israel is to stay solvent. He will be ordered to enforce a policy in the territories that will ensure quiet.

He will have to face some initial animosity from officers whom he has either passed over in making his appointments, or who would have preferred one of the other candidates for the top military post.

He is fortunate, however, that Moshe Arens is the defence minister. Perhaps the two of them, in the style of understatement that has become their joint hallmark, with the level-headedness they have displayed until now, will be able to wipe away the stains, and remove the walls of animosity, that stand out on this 35th anniversary.

It is essential that we end the ordeal of the past 10 months. Sharon's removal was the first step towards awakening. Rafal's departure is the second. It is now up to Arens and Levy to fashion the third, and we can only hope that they will succeed.

It would be wrong to ignore the ordeal because it is Yom Ha'atzmaut. What better day for honest national reflection?

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READERS' LETTERS

CONFERENCE ON EVOLUTION

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — The tendentious description of the recent Conference on Evolution and the Origin of Life (written by Charles Hoffman on March 25) cries out to be answered. Although important distortions and inaccuracies appeared throughout the article, I shall limit myself here to his remarks concerning my lecture.

I gave two lectures. The first, in Hebrew, was on a more popular level and was, by invitation, intended to advise educators on how to handle the subject of evolution. My second lecture, in English, was a purely scientific analysis of certain mathematical aspects of evolutionary theory. Evidently Mr. Hoffman did not attend my second lecture nor did he read the abstract of it that appeared in the booklet of abstracts supplied to each registrant. In this second lecture I showed that, on the basis of probabilistic considerations, Darwinian theory is in deep trouble. Moreover, on the same basis, the theories requiring macromutations, including the relatively new theory of punctuated equilibrium, is in even deeper trouble. Had he attended this second lecture, Mr. Hoffman would not have said, "...the anti-evolutionists ignored an explanation of the gaps in the fossil record that has gained widespread acceptance in recent years." The population to which he refers is the theory of punctuated equilibrium with which I dealt as described above.

Mr. Hoffman showed journalistic irresponsibility in citing the complaint of an anonymous biologist that "it was impossible to conduct authentic scientific debate..." because the speakers kept up a constant flow of unsubstantiated factual and statistical assertions, and there was no time to dissect those claims in a systematic fashion." The first conclusion of my second lecture that Darwinian theory is in serious difficulty, is based on work that I have published some time ago and has been available in the scientific literature for about 15 years. My newer results, which show an even greater difficulty for punctuated equilibrium, will be submitted soon for publication. Any serious student of the field can examine these expositions at his leisure.

However one may want to impugn the motives of the organizers of the conference, at least one important conclusion emerged from it: no currently available evolutionary theory is able to explain the facts. The philosophical and theological implications of this conclusion are for each individual to draw for himself. Those who believe in creation may conclude from this that evolution has been exposed as a failure and there is no scientific explanation for the origin and development of life that does not take account of a Creator. On the other hand, those who believe in evolution and that life occurred by chance alone may conclude that more work had to be done to repair the theory.

LEE M. SPETNER
Rehovot.

Charles Hoffman comments: The Concise Oxford Dictionary defines "tendentious" as "having an underlying purpose, calculated to advance a cause." If anything should be described as tendentious, it is the conference itself, which was presented as a "scientific" gathering, even though its "underlying purpose" was to advance the religious view of the origin of life. Dr. Spetner has misquoted my article, which said that "for the most part, the anti-evolutionists ignored an explanation of the gaps in the fossil record that has gained widespread acceptance..." (emphasis added). The qualification was introduced to take account of views expressed in the abstracts, some of which I was not able to hear in lecture form (including Dr. Spetner's second lecture).

Dr. Rafi Falk, a Hebrew University biologist, made the remark that "it was impossible to conduct an authentic scientific debate."

Sir, — As one of the lecturers at the First Congress on Inquiries into the Origin of Life and Evolution, I object vehemently to your headline deriding it as "A monkey trial, local style" (March 22). It is not correct that "most, after rejecting evolution on scientific grounds, failed to offer an alternative theory to account for the origin and development of life. Instead they reaffirmed their belief in divine creation." The eminent Swedish Professor Soren Lovrup while rejecting Darwinism defended the evolution by macromutation. I also rejected Darwinism, but I did offer a new theory of evolution.

DR. JACOB ROSIN
Netanya.

Sir, — While your article of March 18 on the evolution conference correctly states that "creationists in the U.S. have been campaigning for schools to give equal weight to theories of creation along with evolution," it nonetheless misses the key issue. The creationists were insisting, and were refuted in court, that equal weight be given within the context of the science classroom and science curriculum. It was not sufficient for their purposes that the theory of creation was generously alluded to within the context of the history, humanities or literature curricula. It was this narrow claim that was refuted at the California "monkey trial" in the spring of 1982.

HILDA NESSIM
Tel Aviv.

Sir, — It was with great concern that I read Charles Hoffman's article announcing the First Congress on Inquiries into the Origin of Life and Evolution, and particularly the invitation to D. Gish (an avowed "creationist") to address this symposium.

We in the United States, and in New York State particularly, are very much aware of the attempts of creationists (now calling themselves, "scientific" creationists — a logical contradiction) to introduce religious topics into courses

in biological science. As a special consultant to the Board of Regents in New York State, I was witness to the recent attempt by these "scientific" creationists to intrude the topic of special creation on an equal time basis, into the biology syllabus for the high schools in New York (the attempt was defeated) by legislative mandate.

For *The Jerusalem Post* to headline Hoffman's article as "Evolution theory goes on 'trial'..." does a disservice to its many readers in the United States, and specifically to those of us active in the biological field. There can be no "trial" for the concept of evolution; there is too much overwhelming data from comparative anatomy, molecular biology, etc., in this day and age for any biologist, no matter what his religious convictions are, to even consider that "scientific" creationism offers any type of alternative.

JEROME F. FREDRICK, Ph.D.
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Evolution Education
Syoset, New York.

Sir, — There was a time when new thought required the stamp of approval of the religious establishment, a time when scientists or philosophers could be ordered to retract their ideas, could be excommunicated, or worse. But mankind has outgrown that period. Or has it?

Your story on evolution to go on "trial" at conference is deeply disturbing. The attempt to reintroduce creation into biology makes a travesty of both religious faith and scientific method. The fact that the conference is sponsored, funded and advertised by governmental agencies bodes ill for the future of science and science teaching in Israel.

PIERRE BUDOWSKI
Rehovot.

MAJOR SA'AD HADDAD

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — The fact that the entire Lebanese government should feel threatened by a man like Major Sa'ad Haddad is additional evidence of its weakness. A stable government would recognize Haddad as a national hero, a unique individual who unselfishly fought for Lebanese unity and freedom while others were fighting for their self-interest. Instead, he is branded a traitor. Is this logical?

SUSAN TAMARI
Jerusalem.

HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE PHILIPPINES

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — *The Jerusalem Post* occasionally prints news about the Philippines from the Associated Press and other foreign press agencies. All these are negative reports, following the dictum of the Western press that bad news is good business.

The latest article of this sort is Amnesty International's report in your issue of March 23, lumping the Philippines with other countries that have authorized the killing of "hundreds of thousands" of political prisoners. A reader gets the impression that hundreds of thousands are being killed in the Philippines.

FELICIA LANGER

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — Had Joan Borsten (March 25) been aware of the fact that Felicia Langer was part of the team defending those accused of having brutally murdered David Rosenfeld, administrator at Herodian, she would not have naively written that Ms. Langer refuses to accept cases of Arabs who are accused of murdering innocent Israeli civilians.

The local Arabs accused of the crime are believed to have planned David's murder for over two months. They are alleged to have known him personally and had on occasion dropped by to drink coffee

SUPPORT PEACE NOW

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — The current situation in Israel demands that Diaspora Jews show their support and solidarity with those forces struggling to maintain the dignity, morality and justice upon which Israel was founded. The callous and brutal murder of Peace Now activist Emil Grunzweig should become for all of us a cause for action.

All Jews who abhor the policies of Mr. Begin should now support the aims of Peace Now in its struggle against the cynical use of power in Israel. Gola Jews can no longer stand by without criticizing the anti-peace policies of Mr. Begin. We must oppose what we feel is obviously immoral and unjust.

Not to oppose Mr. Begin signifies agreement and consent. Surely Jews have a longer memory when it comes to moral responsibility and protest. To do less would mean that Emil Grunzweig died in vain.

DAVID ZYNGIER
Melbourne, Australia.

pines. This allegation has been disputed by the admission of Amnesty International itself that it has documented 71, repeat, only 71 cases of human rights violations in the Philippines. Even the U.S. State Department, in its annual report, conceded that there were only 19 human rights violations in 1981 and 45 in 1982, in the Philippines.

Considering that we are fighting a secessionist war and a communist guerrilla movement financed by foreign powers, these figures show the restraint and discipline of the Philippine government.

APOLONIO B. ANOTA, JR.
Tel Aviv.

FELICIA LANGER

With him. You see, David was a friendly, trusting, open-minded and open-hearted person.

YOSSI and ROCHELLE TEMPLEMAN
Yishuv Tekoa.

Joan Borsten comments: Mrs. Langer reaffirms that she does not defend anyone who deliberately kills civilians. In the Rosenfeld case, her client is one of five on trial. Unlike the others, he has been charged with conspiracy, but not with murder. She did not agree to represent her client's brother because he is "thought to have been directly involved in the killing of Rosenfeld."

PROMOTING ALIYA

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — I very much enjoyed and appreciated David Bedein's thoughtful article of March 31 about the Aliya forgiveness loan, an idea whose time has come. The greatest impediment to aliya of many young people remains the tremendous student loans that are outstanding at the time of graduation, which is the ideal time to make aliya.

It would seem to me, as Bedein mentioned, that there are ample resources in the Zionist world to provide for direct aliya aide to recent graduate professionals, by assuming the *ex post facto* cost of their training in exchange for a firm aliya commitment.

BARRY C. CROBIN
Jerusalem.

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